Friendship Hill National Historic Site



Summer 2009 - Programs and Events



Hours and Location

April through October

The Gallatin House is open daily 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM; the park grounds are open from sunrise to sunset.

The park's ten miles of hiking trails offer woods, meadows and undeveloped river front environments to explore. The graves of Sophia Allegre (Gallatin's first wife) and Thomas Clare (Gallatin's friend & neighbor) are located along the trails. Trail maps are available at the Visitor Center. Sturdy, comfortable shoes are highly recommended. A picnic area is also available during regular hours of operation.

Friendship Hill is located in southwestern Pennsylvania, mid-way between Uniontown, PA and Morgantown, WV on State Route 166, three miles north of Point Marion, PA. For more information call 724-725-9190 or write Friendship Hill NHS, 223 New Geneva Road, Point Marion, PA 15474.

All Programs depend on weather conditions and availability of staff

Orientation Program

Reflections of Gallatin

 $Shown\,throughout\,the\,day\,in\,the\,exhibit\,room.$

 $This short \ presentation \ offers \ an introduction \ to \ the \ Albert \ Gallatin's \ life \ and \ accomplishments.$

House Tours

Formal Guided Tour or Self Guided Tours

Available, free of charge when the house is open.

Just for Kids!

JUNIOR RANGER

Puzzles and games guide children on their explorations of Friendship Hill, helping them learn about Albert Gallatin's contribution to our nation in a fun and engaging way.



The program, new in 2009, includes different levels of activities for children age 6-12. Children completing the program will be awarded a National Park Service Junior Ranger patch. They will also earn a Friendship Hill Junior Ranger patch and certificate.

The Friendship Hill Junior Ranger program is available to families and youth groups. Groups must call in advance to insure adequate supplies and supervision are available. The program is designed for children to explore history with the aid of an adult. Organized groups should insure there are enough chaperones to work through the activities with the children. Call Ranger Kitty Seifert at 724-725-9190 for more information. There is no charge to participate in the Jr. Ranger Program.

Hands-on Activities

KEEPING HOUSE IN GALLATIN'S TIME

Saturday and Sunday -- 1:30 p.m.

See demonstrations of the crafts and activities that were used by the Gallatin servants to run the household. Some activities will offer visitors the opportunity to participate.

April

JUNIOR RANGER DAY

April 25 - 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM

The National Park Service invites youth ages 6-12 to explore Fort

Necessity during the National Junior Ranger Day.

May

SPRING CONCERT

May 3 - 2:00

The Albert Gallatin South Middle School Band entertains on the North

Lawn. The public is asked to bring folding chairs or blankets for their comfort

while listening to the performance.

NATIONAL ROAD FESTIVAL

May 16-17

Time: 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Location: Fort Necessity National Battlefield - Mount Washington Tavern

Celebrate the heyday of the National Road in the early 1800's. .

BRITISH and FRENCH ENCAMPMENT

May 30 - 31

Location: Fort Necessity National Battlefield

French and Indian War reenactment groups will encamp in the Great Meadows.

GEOLOGY AND THE FRENCH AND INDIAN WAR IN WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA

May 30 - 1:00 p.m.

Location: Jumonville Glen (Rain Location – Fort Necessity Interpretive Center)

Geologist Albert Kollar from Carnegie Museum of Natural History.

JUNE

STEPS TO A HEALTHIER FAYETTE COUNTY

June 17-6:30 PM.

Take a healthy walk from the trail head parking lot to the Thomas Claire Cemetery, where a park ranger will tell legendary tales of bygone events at Friendship Hill. Wear sturdy, comfortable shoes.

TAKE JOY - THE MUSIC AT FRIENDSHIP HILL

June 21 – 10 a.m. -4 p.m.

Enjoy historic music of Gallatin's era played on instruments of the period, including, flutes, tin whistles, and historic ensembles. Bring a picnic lunch and

enjoy the day.



BATTLE ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATION PROGRAM

July 3 – 1:00 P.M.

Location: Fort Necessity National Battlefield.

This ceremony commemorates the anniversary of the battle of Fort Necessity. Special presentation by Albert

Kollar from Carnegie Museum of Natural History

AMERICAN INDIAN LIVING HISTORY CELEBRATION

July 11-12 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Location: Friendship Hill National Historic Site

See the skills used by the Eastern Woodland American Indians demonstrated by costumed American Indian re-enactors. You will see how moccasins were made, bone jewelry constructed, skins tanned, and bags woven. Children can also participate in traditional American Indian games and sports.

Saturday, July 11 only:

The "Oneida Nation – First Allies" of New York demonstrate the loading and firing of 18th century artillery as used during the Revolutionary War, when Gallatin arrived in America..

Programs at 11:00, 1:00, 2:00 and 3:00.

Sponsored in part by the Friendship Hill Association.



AMERICAN INDIAN ENCAMPMENT

August 8-9 - 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Location: Fort Necessity National Battlefield

Re-enactors representing Lenape and Cherokee war parties of 1757, will be camped at Fort Necessity National Battlefield. Native woodland fighting tactics, weapons, trail cooking, and items carried by warriors will be demonstrated. Each native group's involvement in the French and Indian War will be discussed.

September

FestiFall 2009

September 26-27 – 11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Location: Friendship Hill National Historic Site

This two-day celebration commemorates the life and times of Albert Gallatin (1786 - 1832) with historic crafts, food and music.

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Visit **www.nps.gov/frhi** for up to date information on events.

